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Washington, D.C.

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in the above-identified application. Small Entity Status: Applicant(s) claim small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

No additional fee is required. The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM								

	SMALL ENTITY					
		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE			
	X	9	\$			
	х	43	\$			
	+	145	\$			
ADDITIONAL FEE TOTAL			\$			

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY							
RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE						
x 18	\$						
x 86	\$						
+ 290	\$						
TOTAL	\$						

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[XX] Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR §1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees

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